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James Bray, Treasurer  
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Urbana, IL 61820

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Identification Number: C00350421

Reference: Amended 30 Day Post-General Report (10/17/02-11/25/02), received  
4/15/03

Dear Mr. Bray:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule B of your report (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits established by the Act. The Act precludes an individual or a political committee from making a contribution to a national party committee in excess of \$20,000 per calendar year. (2 U.S.C. §441a(a)) However, a political committee may make unlimited transfers to a national party committee if the transferred amount is determined to be and disclosed as "excess campaign funds". (11 CFR §113.1(e))

If any apparent excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly reported, you must amend your original report with the clarifying information.

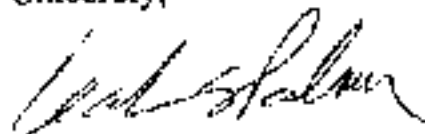
If the contribution made was excessive, you must notify the recipient and request a refund of the amount in excess of \$20,000. You also must inform the Commission in writing of such a refund and provide a photocopy of any refund request sent to the recipient committee. The refund must appear on Line 15 of the Detailed Summary Page and on a supporting Schedule A of the report covering the period in which the refund is received.

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Although the Commission may take further legal action, prompt action by you to obtain a refund of the excessive contribution amount will be taken into consideration.

A response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



Leah S. Palmer  
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Excessive and/or Prohibited Contributions  
 Friends of Tim Johnson (C00350421)  
 30 Day Post-General Report (10/17-11/25/02)

P = Primary Election  
 G = General Election

RECIPIENT NAME	DATE	AMOUNT	ELECTION
NRCC	02/27/2002	\$6,000.00	
NRCC	11/02/2002	\$18,000.00	
NRCC	11/02/2002	\$2,250.00	
NRCC	11/13/2002	\$4,500.00	

*Contributions to national and state parties do not require election designation because they are based on a per calendar year amount. See 2 U.S.C. §441e(a) and the Campaign Guide for Congressional Candidates for further information*

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